IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

Appl. No. : 09/681,409 Confirmation No. 3201

Applicant : Ferlitsch et al. : March 30, 2001 Filed

TC/A.U. : 2625 Examiner : Saeid Ebrahimi-Dehkordy Docket No. : SLA0360

Customer No. : 52894

Title : METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PRINT-PROCESSOR-BASED PRINTER

STATUS DETECTION AND PRINT TASK DISTRIBUTION

RESPONSE

Krieger Intellectual Property, Inc.

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October 11, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In an Office action dated August 11, 2006, the examiner required the applicant to supply the omission or correction in regard to claims 1-14 in order to avoid abandonment. The applicant was given a time period of one (1) month or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of the action to respond. The applicant is requesting an extension of time of one month such that the application, 09/681,409, will be co-pending with a continuation application, 11/548,683, filed on this same day, October 11, 2006.

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